

DEMOCRATS MEET AT ALBANY.

INTEREST FELT IN THE ACTION OF THE STATE COMMITTEE.

It is to select a new chairman to succeed Frank Campbell and a new executive chairman—All Agree That They Should Men Who Will Inspire the Party.

ALBANY, April 29.—Democrats from all over the State are here to-night, some to participate in and others to watch the outcome of the meeting of the Democratic State committee to-morrow.

The committee is to select a new chairman to succeed Frank Campbell of Bath, and also a new executive chairman, who are to conduct the campaign in the State in this important Presidential and gubernatorial year. Many of Chief Judge Parker's friends said to-night that upon the result of the meeting to-morrow very much depended and that the Democrats should come to no hasty conclusion.

Even if Judge Parker is nominated at St. Louis the result in the State, it was asserted, will depend very much on the generals who are to conduct the fight for him in the Empire State. Frank Campbell arrived here to-night and had a few words of conversation with David B. Hill, and later came William F. Sheehan of New York.

Mr. Hill and Mr. Sheehan had a conversation in Mr. Hill's office lasting until 11 o'clock to-night, and when they parted they announced that no definite decision was reached and that no final action will be taken until to-morrow, when the Tammany and the Kings county State committee are to arrive.

Ever since the State convention adjourned it has been apparent to some that Mr. Hill would like to have Frank Campbell remain as State chairman, with Senator Patrick Henry McCarren of Brooklyn as chairman of the executive committee, other friends of Mr. Hill have proclaimed that he desires to make Melvin J. Haven, Syracuse State chairman, and that he does not favor the selection of Senator McCarren to be executive chairman.

There is not a Democrat here to-night who believes that Mr. Haven should be made chairman of the Democratic State headquarters. They refer to him merely as caretaker for the Democratic State headquarters here in this city and say that he has no record and no eminence in the Democratic party in the State which would go toward inspiring the Democratic party in the bristling campaign which is at hand.

There have been many suggestions to the effect that a Democrat not a member of the committee should be made State chairman, and Cord Meyer of Queens has been very prominently mentioned. Mr. Meyer has been spoken to on this matter, but he is very reluctant to undertake the duties of the place, and other Democrats say that Mr. Meyer should not take it for the reason that they want him to be the Democratic candidate for Governor this fall. Many Democrats in 1902 insisted that Mr. Meyer should be the candidate for Governor in that year.

Some of the Democratic State committee men here to-night combat the idea that an outsider should be taken for State chairman, and John N. Carls, the present executive chairman, and several other Democratic State committee men believe that they are entitled to the place if Mr. Campbell or Mr. Haven are not selected.

It should be said for Mr. Campbell that at the State convention, held in this city two weeks ago, he made it known that he did not care to remain as State chairman, but that Mr. Hill told him to hold his horses and not cross a bridge until he came to it. There are many potent influences at work looking to the selection of a State chairman who will represent the Democratic party and who, like Mr. Haven, is not looked upon as Mr. Hill's confidential clerk. The Democrats here say that they want a man who will be a general himself and whose very name will inspire the Democrats all over the State to get to work.

Some had a report here to-night that a number of Democrats believed that Hugh J. Grant, ex-Mayor of New York city, would make one of the very best in the State. Mr. Grant is the son-in-law of ex-United States Senator Edward Murphy, Jr., of Troy, who was chairman of the State committee when the Democrats won victories in the State, and Mr. Murphy and Mr. Hill, after an estrangement of a number of years, have now looked arms.

Mr. Grant all along has declined in any way to re-enter the political arena and his friends said here to-night that he would not accept the place. The mention of the names of Cord Meyer and Hugh J. Grant, however, indicate the type of Democrat that the friends of Chief Judge Parker are hunting for to be Democratic State chairman.

Some Democrats have considered it to be the fashion to criticize Frank Campbell, while other Democrats here to-night said that Mr. Campbell performed a good service to the Democratic party by remaining as its ostensible helm in years when there was no possible hope of Democratic success. Mr. Campbell is entitled to credit for his fidelity.

Of course everybody admits that Senator McCarren would make a vigorous, comprehensive and strikingly intelligent chairman of the executive committee, but so desirous are the Democrats to put their best foot forward this year that they not only want a most competent executive chairman, but they demand the same type of man for State chairman.

The Democrats here are exceedingly confident of carrying the State next fall for their State committee, and they believe also that Judge Parker can carry the State as the Presidential candidate of his party. Many believe to-night that Judge Parker's fate as a candidate and his success at the polls will be very greatly affected by the selection of a State chairman and the designation of an executive chairman.

TRIED TO MOB A MINISTER.

Village Objected to His Marriage With a Fifteen-Year-Old Girl.

AKRON, April 29.—The Rev. James B. Lamon announced his engagement to Pearl Sullivan. He is 40 years old and Pearl is 15. The people of the village objected to the December and May marriage, and opposition was so strong that Mr. Lamon could not find a minister to marry them. He engaged a justice, hired the opera house and invited the entire town.

After the ceremony, which was performed on the stage, the minister made a speech setting forth his highly uncompromising opinion of the town and its brand of Christianity. His language was so violent that the people of the village threatened to attack him. He left with his wife in the rear door, got into a carriage and was driven away from the town.

ARREST HOLDS TENOR BACK.

Parr of the "Prince of Pilsen" Must Be in Court This Morning.

The "Prince of Pilsen" company, which sails early this morning for London, will probably be minus Albert Parr, the tenor who sings "Heidelberg" in the show. Parr was arrested last night on a complaint made by his wife, Marion, from whom he was divorced three years ago.

Parr was booked to sail on the Etruria with the rest of the company and the ship, it was said last night, will weigh anchor at 6 o'clock this morning. Parr will have to appear in the West Side police court, which doesn't open until 8 o'clock.

Mrs. Parr, who is also on the stage, went before Magistrate Ommen late yesterday afternoon and got the warrant for her husband's arrest. She charged him with attempting to abandon his seven-year-old daughter, Thelma, who also appeared in court. Mrs. Parr said that her former husband had contributed practically nothing toward the support of the child since they separated.

The warrant was given to Court Policeman Buckley and he arrested Parr at the Hotel Gerard in West Forty-fourth street last night. Parr was taken to the West Forty-seventh street station and his counsel, ex-Assemblyman James Smith, got bail. Parr refused to discuss the case, but his lawyer had this to say:

"Parr secured a divorce from his wife and agreed voluntarily to contribute a certain sum for the child's support. His wife wanted this money paid to a certain man, but Parr refused to agree to this. I think that if the Magistrate had heard both sides of this case he wouldn't have issued that warrant."

Manager Henry V. Savage of the "Prince of Pilsen" company said last night that he expected to find Parr on the ship this morning. He added:

"Parr telephoned me to-night that he thought he could fix the matter up. However, if he doesn't, we'll get along all right. Parr can come over on one of the ships sailing Tuesday. We don't open in London for two weeks."

INVESTIGATE POSTAL AFFAIRS.

President to Appoint a Commission and Will Supervise the Work.

WASHINGTON, April 29.—In the proposed new investigation of the postal scandals President Roosevelt will supervise the work at all points and give the matter even more of his personal attention than was the case in the original Payne-Bristow inquiry. Charles H. Robb, Assistant Attorney-General on special duty, has been designated by the Attorney-General to assist the President in the investigation.

Mr. Robb was until a few months ago an attorney in the Department of Justice, but was appointed Assistant Attorney-General for the Post Office Department to succeed Gen. Tyner, who was removed. The title "Assistant Attorney-General" is a misnomer so far as the Post Office Department is concerned, for that officer is not under the jurisdiction of the Department of Justice. After the Payne investigation was practically completed, however, Mr. Robb was rewarded for his work in the Post Office Department by being appointed an Assistant Attorney-General in the Department of Justice to succeed Henry M. Hoyt, who some time ago had been named Solicitor-General.

At the time when Senator Lodge of Massachusetts made a statement in the Senate that the Republicans would investigate the Post Office Department "in their own way" it was the intention to have a joint committee of the Senate and the House appointed to make the investigation, but this plan was emphatically vetoed by the President and some of the Congress leaders. After several conferences with some of the leaders in Congress it was decided that the President himself should take the new investigation in hand by appointing men of his own selection in any way he pleased. His first selection is that of Assistant Attorney-General Robb.

THREW ACID IN NUN'S FACE.

Sister Alma, Who Was Assaulted by Negroes a While Ago, the Victim.

WHEELING, W. Va., April 29.—Sister Alma, a beautiful teacher in St. John's convent school, was the victim this afternoon of an unknown white man, who dashed a pint of carbolic acid in her face. The man, a tramp, had called at the convent and demanded money, which was refused. He returned in a few minutes and Sister Alma opened the door. Without warning the stranger threw the liquid fairly into her face.

She is in a critical condition and the entire city is wrought up. Police have been arresting suspects all the evening and if the man is found it will be necessary to remove him to some other town for safety.

A few months ago, Sister Alma, whose world name the church authorities will not reveal, was attacked and bound and assaulted by a gang of negroes in St. John's Orphan's Home, at Elm Grove. Her frightful experience to-day is attributed by the authorities to the wanton act of a mentally unbalanced man.

Sister Alma came from New York city, where her only relative, a brother, is living.

"MRS. WIGGS" DISCHARGED.

The Original of the "Cabbage Patch" Story Explains Her Troubles in Court.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., April 29.—The original "Mrs. Wiggs of the Cabbage Patch" so successfully explained her troubles in the police court to-day that she was dismissed, although three witnesses testified that she emitted a pot of slop water upon Mrs. P. Guy Smith of Hazelwood.

Mrs. Bass, for that is her real name, said that she had been so pestered by curiosity seekers since Mrs. Rice had written her book that she was compelled to live upstairs. She refused to answer knocks at the front door and had been compelled to give a hostile reception to those who tried to force entrance at the rear door. Mrs. Bass said that the people came in droves, from all parts of the country and even from across the ocean. She used to answer the knocks, "What do you want?" I would ask, and they would stand like they didn't know what to say, and after a while one would say, "I read the book." They have just literally taken the place away. Only two weeks ago they took a whole limb of peach blossoms off my tree. I must be a grizzly bear that they want to see me. Hoho after hoho keeps my steps soiled with mud coming.

Judge McCann said Mrs. Bass had undoubtedly suffered, so he told her she could go. Even when Mrs. Bass's use of the word hobo, which she always employed in speaking of the tourists who called at her cabbage patch home.

MAY SELL THE WHITNEY HOUSE

RUMOR NAMES JAMES HENRY SMITH AS THE BUYER

And Puts the Price at \$2,000,000, Including All the Furnishings and Paintings Save a Van Dyck—House Was to Be Held for 2 Years for Children.

It was reported yesterday that the William C. Whitney house at the northeast corner of Sixty-eighth street and Fifth avenue has been sold to James Henry Smith, who is a close friend of the late Mr. Whitney.

The Whitney property, according to the report, has been held at \$2,500,000 since Mr. Whitney's death and Mr. Smith, it was said, paid more than \$2,000,000 for it—the highest price ever paid for a private dwelling in this city. The purchase, according to the report, includes all the furnishings, even the paintings in the house, with the exception of a Van Dyck valued at \$100,000.

When a SUN reporter tried to find out from Mr. Smith whether he had made the purchase as reported, he sent word back that he had nothing to say to the newspapers. Henry D. MacDonagh, the lawyer who was closely identified with Mr. Whitney's interests during the latter's life, said that he could not verify the report. Efforts last night to find Harry Payne Whitney, the executor of his father's will, or T. J. Regan, Mr. Whitney's former secretary, who is managing the affairs of the estate, were unsuccessful. It was said at the Sixty-eighth street Whitney house last night, however, that Mr. Smith had been there several times looking at the place.

Some persons who heard of the reported sale argued that if there had been any sale at all, it must have been made provisionally, for Mr. Whitney's will provided that the house at 817 Fifth avenue "shall be maintained at the expense of the general estate as a home for my said daughter Dorothy, and my said stepchildren Adelaide and Bertie Randolph for a period of two years from the date of my death."

Mr. Whitney also authorized his executor "to sell at such time and upon such terms as he may deem advisable and to improve any and all of my property."

The Whitney house is, in many ways, the most noted in New York. It is a four story structure with a Fifth Avenue frontage of 55 feet and extending 200 feet along Sixty-eighth street. It was built originally by Robert L. Stuart of the firm of R. L. & A. Stuart, sugar refiners. Mr. Stuart died while it was building and his widow sold it to Amzi L. Barber in 1895 for \$562,500. In 1897 Mr. Barber sold the property to Mr. Whitney for \$650,000. Mr. Whitney remodelled the house completely, expending, it is said, \$3,500,000.

All the decorations of the two lower floors are of the period of the Italian Renaissance, most of the furnishings having been taken from the old palaces in Italy. The reception room on the ground floor of the Fifth Avenue side and the ballroom are famous the country over. The reception room is done in rococo fashion, with grilles of gold on mirrors, in the centre of which are paintings ornately framed in gold. The ceiling came from the Barberini palace in Florence. The conservatory is decorated with marbles brought from an Italian garden and the walls of the ballroom as the stand came from the Chateau Phœbus of Louis XIV.

Mr. Smith, the reputed purchaser, fell heir to a fortune of \$50,000,000 left by his uncle in 1900. His uncle laid the foundation of his fortune in Chicago before the great fire. About a year ago Mr. Smith bought a large plot at the northeast corner of Fifth Avenue and Second street, and it was said that he was to build a large house there. Mr. Smith is not married.

WALDORF WAITER TOOK HER PIN.

Mrs. Mather Can't Recover It Before She Sails for Europe, and Isn't Pleased.

Mrs. Oliver C. Mather of the Waldorf-Astoria was the complainant in the General Sessions yesterday against a Waldorf waiter named Monte Marcellino, whom she accused of stealing a \$750 pin, set with opals and diamonds, from her coat while she was at lunch.

Marcellino offered to plead guilty to petty larceny, but Judge Cowing refused to receive the plea. Mrs. Mather had arranged to sail for Europe to-day, and when that fact was explained to Judge Cowing he decided to accept the plea next week.

"Then give me my pin," said Mrs. Mather. "I haven't got it," said Assistant District Attorney Perkins. "You can't get it until the man pleads."

"But I'll have sailed by then," said Mrs. Mather. "You'll have to give a power of attorney to your lawyer then," said Mr. Perkins. "He can get it and leave it for you at the Waldorf," after this I'll believe anything I hear said against New York," said Mrs. Mather.

BARGES SMASHED AND SUNK.

Five Swept by the Tide Against East River Piers and Two Go Down.

A tow of nearly forty coal barges got into trouble last night in the East River off the foot of Gouverneur street, and four barges were sunk. The tow, which was an unusually long one, was on its way to Newtown Creek for distribution. Five of the barges were swept by the strong tide yesterday morning and the Arrow badly damaged. One of the large captains said last night that he understood that two men were missing. According to the police, everybody on the barges escaped.

The tow was from Port Johnson, N. J., and was being towed by three tugboats of the Johnson Towing Line. On account of the bad weather, the tugboats were unable to make headway and the barges were driven toward the shore. Several of the barges were left. The tug, the Burnett, Anthracite and Yorkick, started with the tow for Newtown Creek yesterday morning. Great difficulty was experienced all the way up the East River on account of the size of the tow.

The barges went against the railroad pier where the tow was, and they were torn away by the tide one after the other. Two of them, the Ruby and the Lucania, sank immediately. Two others, the Plainfield and the Arrow, badly damaged, were towed into Brown & Fleming's dock at Gouverneur street by two tugs that were in the river at the time, the Pussie and the Fidelity. The fifth wasn't damaged.

The Plainfield was a brand new barge, never used before. Capt. Anderson, his wife and several small children escaped to the other boats uninjured. A life saver named Conkey went out in a rowboat and helped to remove the people from the sinking barges. The rest of the tow reached Newtown Creek safely and was distributed at various docks there.

R. W. BROWNE, BROKER, JAILED.

Charged With Getting a Widow's \$7,375 and Giving Worthless Stock for It.

Rollo W. Browne, a broker, who has had offices at 188 West Twenty-third street, was locked up in the West 100th street police station late last night on a warrant charging him with the larceny of \$7,375 from Mrs. Annie S. Beck, a widow, of 170 West Seventy-third street.

Mrs. Beck alleges that Browne got the money from her at different times and gave her in return fraudulent stocks and bonds.

She got the fraudulent two weeks ago from Magistrate Pool. At the same time Browne closed up his office in Twenty-third street and went to Washington.

He returned to his apartment in the Grandview, 250 West Ninety-third street, last night to see his wife and daughter. Policeman Birmingham of the Jefferson Market court squad, who had been watching the house for two weeks, got him.

FOUGHT WITH NAKED FOILS.

Got Overconfident With Bouton Foils—One Drops to Floor.

PHILADELPHIA, April 29.—Two students were practicing with foils to-night. After a lively go, one was seriously wounded and the other arrested. The injured man was Michael Casey, 42 years old who boarded where the duel took place, 419 South Second street. He was taken to the Pennsylvania Hospital suffering from stab wounds in the neck and abdomen. His alleged assailant was John Emery, 40 years old, a Frenchman, also a boarder at the house.

Both men are said to have prided themselves on their command of the foils, so that, during the bout, they were confident of each, they used conclusions with naked weapons in a third story room. Though wounded, Casey is said to have insisted on continuing the fight until he dropped to the floor and the contest was stopped.

STRIKE IMMINENT AT HARVARD.

Waiters at Memorial Hall Demand Shorter Hours or More Pay.

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., April 29.—The directors of Harvard's Memorial Hall are confronted with a labor problem. Sixty out of the ninety-five colored waiters have presented a petition demanding shorter hours or more pay, and proposing a strike if their requests are not granted by to-morrow. The time of the strike is what the directors announced a day or two ago as a "temporary change" in the dinner hour, the hour being fixed at from 5 to 6 o'clock instead of 5:30 to 7, as usual.

Complaints have been made lately of the slow service, especially at dinner, and additional waiters have been urgently demanded. To avoid extra expense for waiters, the directors decided to serve dinner half an hour earlier in the hope of lessening the rush at the busiest time. If this was calculated to satisfy the student waiters, it came very far from satisfying the waiters, who had been grumbling at the work put upon them as vigorously as the students on account of the slow service. The matter was agitated in the waiters' quarters and the majority decided upon a strike.

FIREWORKS FREE TO CHILDREN.

But Experts Will See That They are Set off Right in Chicago.

CHICAGO, April 29.—Firecrackers and torpedoes will be given away in unlimited quantities to every child in the city on the Fourth of July by the Chicago Amusement Association, provided the children will assemble in the public parks and playgrounds and explode them under the supervision of a fireman, a physician, a policeman and a member of the association.

After the celebration in the parks and playgrounds, Michigan avenue will be roped off from Twelfth street to Randolph street for a promenade, from which all vehicles will be excluded, while a display of fireworks, set pieces and giant crackers, which will continue three hours, will be given on the Lake front in the evening. A model of the United States steamship Dorothea will be blown up. A crusade against dynamite bombs, firecrackers and toy pistols is announced as the main object of the new association. All cases of accident or death reported as resulting from the use of these forbidden explosives will be traced back to the seller, who will be held personally responsible and prosecuted by the executive board of the association.

MUST GIVE TRANSFERS.

Company Beaten in Eight Suits Brought by Two Plaintiffs.

Eight suits against the New York City Railroad Company as the lessee of the Interurban Street Railway to recover damages for refusing to issue transfers to intersecting lines were decided yesterday in favor of the plaintiffs, Frederick W. Vanzandt, a member of the law firm of Day, Vanzandt, Walsh & Webb, and Miss Mary E. McLoughlin, of 156 Roebuck street, by Judge Augustus Lynch of the Third Municipal district court in Williamsburg. The judgments aggregated \$1,656 and on the result of the suits the fate of others has been depending.

Vanzandt and Miss McLoughlin, according to their affidavits, boarded cars of the Broadway line on April 25, 1903, and again on Sept. 2, 1903, and demanded transfers to the Twenty-third street line. The transfers were refused. They boarded cars of the Twenty-third street line and made a similar demand for transfers to the Broadway line. These were also refused. Vanzandt instituted five suits and Miss McLoughlin three. Each suit was for \$200 damages.

Henry A. Robinson appeared in behalf of the company and tried to show that he was an important connecting link. In addition, the railroad has been under option by the Gould interests for some time and their possession by the Wheeling and Lake Erie company is merely placing them in the hands of one of the recognized Gould roads. It is now known that the Goulds purpose to have a line between Pittsburgh and the Lake and that the two roads named will be important connecting links. In addition, it is known that the Goulds have about laid plans for the invasion of the Mahoning and Shenango valleys and hope to obtain a large slice of the rich business of that profitable territory.

THE GOULDS ACQUIRE TWO ROADS

The Pittsburgh, Lisbon and Western and the Youngstown and Southern.

CLEVELAND, April 29.—A special meeting of the board of directors of the Wheeling and Lake Erie Railroad will be held in Cleveland within the next two weeks to ratify the purchase by that company of the Pittsburgh, Lisbon and Western and the Youngstown and Southern railroads. These railroads have been under option by the Gould interests for some time and their possession by the Wheeling and Lake Erie company is merely placing them in the hands of one of the recognized Gould roads. It is now known that the Goulds purpose to have a line between Pittsburgh and the Lake and that the two roads named will be important connecting links. In addition, it is known that the Goulds have about laid plans for the invasion of the Mahoning and Shenango valleys and hope to obtain a large slice of the rich business of that profitable territory.

BROKER'S WIFE SHOT FIRST.

HE TELEPHONED HER HE WAS COMING TO SHOOT HER, SHE SAYS.

Later She Reports He Came Pistol in Hand—They Had a Quarrel and Then He Left—She Followed Him to the Door and on the Stoop Fired a Shot in the Air.

Mrs. Minnie L. McLoughlin, who keeps a boarding house at 136 Lafayette avenue, Brooklyn, received a telephone message from her husband, Edward McLoughlin, yesterday afternoon, telling her, as she alleges, that he intended to call upon her at her home for the purpose of shooting her.

Instead of locking the doors, Mrs. McLoughlin took care to have a pistol. Later in the evening she notified the police of the Classon avenue station that her husband had called to see her, that he was armed with a revolver, and then her husband left, but Mrs. McLoughlin followed him out and, while standing on the top step of the stoop, fired one shot in the air, simply, as she said, to frighten her husband and to prove to him that two could play at that game.

Subsequently Capt. Maude learned from Mrs. McLoughlin that she was afraid her husband might return and carry out his threat, and he sent a policeman in citizens' dress to the house. Up to a late hour last night Mr. McLoughlin had not returned. Mr. McLoughlin, who is a son of the late Edmund McLoughlin, the bookbinder, is a broker. For some time he has not got on very well with his wife, and she has frequently complained to the police magistrates that he had abandoned her. Several times she has sworn out warrants for his arrest, but on as many different occasions she has withdrawn the charge when her husband returned to the house. It was only a short time ago that she obtained a warrant for her husband's arrest for abandonment, and it was given to Court Officer Wise went to the Lafayette avenue house and found Mr. McLoughlin at home. He told him the nature of his visit and as McLoughlin was in his own house, the court officer instead of serving the warrant and placing McLoughlin under arrest, told him to appear in the police court the next morning. McLoughlin thanked the officer and told him he would be in court the next day, but instead of doing so he disappeared.

Mrs. McLoughlin denounced the police for the manner in which they did business. She preferred charges before the Police Commissioner against Court Officer Wise and he was put on trial. The Commissioner ruled that as he had not served the warrant he was guilty and fined him five days' pay. Since then Mrs. McLoughlin has paid frequent visits to the Eighty-second precinct, which is in the Borough Hall, in the hope of discovering that the police had arrested her husband. Mr. McLoughlin, it was said, had been absent from home two months and his wife did not know where he was until he called her up on the telephone yesterday afternoon.

LIKE DESPERADO TRACY.

Bob Taylor Kills One Man and Wounds a Boy and a Sheriff.

TACOMA, Wash., April 29.—Imitating Desperado Tracy, Bob Taylor, known in three States as a notorious criminal, refused to surrender to officers until after he had killed one man, fatally wounded another and wounded a Sheriff Denholm.

Taylor, who was wanted for a crime, had taken refuge in a cabin on a country road six miles from Tacoma. He anticipated pursuit and fortified the cabin with two revolvers, a dirk knife, a razor and a large amount of ammunition. Last evening W. W. Barnes and Richard Holland were caught in a rainstorm near the cabin and asked Taylor to allow them to sleep there. The desperado opened fire with two revolvers. He killed Barnes and shot Holland, who is a mere boy, twice. The latter was brought here and is expected to die.

This morning Sheriff Denholm led a posse which reached the cabin at 11 o'clock. Taylor opened the door and began firing. The posse replied and wounded Taylor, but not seriously. One of Taylor's bullets struck the Sheriff in the neck and ploughed a hole through his face.

Taylor escaped into the bushes, but was captured later near Puyallup. He opened fire on the party of officers, who fired six shots at him, several of which took effect. Taylor then threw down his gun and surrendered. He refused to talk further than to say that he has lived in Indiana, Colorado and California. Taylor is small, of reddish complexion, 34 years old and 5 feet 4 inches tall.

SHOPPERS SEE POOLROOM RAID.

Tenderloin Police Descend Upon an 18th Street House and Get Six Prisoners.

Six prisoners were taken in a poolroom raid at 34 West Eighteenth street yesterday. Capt. Cottrell of the Tenderloin station made it, and a crowd of women shoppers watched the police bundle their prisoners into the patrol wagon. Cottrell raided a poolroom in West Nineteenth street a few days ago and yesterday he learned that the backers of this place had started in again to do business at the Eighteenth street address. With a half dozen men the captain went there late yesterday afternoon.

There is an electrician's shop on the ground floor and from the rear of this the police got into the poolroom. On the parlor floor they found sixty men. Everyone in the place tried to get out when the cops entered.

There was a stove in one corner of the room and a pile of racing cards were blazing in it when the police forced their way in. After the six prisoners were picked out of the crowd the others were allowed to go.

The prisoners all gave fictitious names and three of them were charged with keeping and maintaining a poolroom. The other three were charged with aiding and abetting in keeping the room. One of the latter kicked about being arrested. He said he was a business man in the neighborhood and had only gone to the place to see if he could catch any of his employees there. He knew the other five prisoners too well to satisfy the police and no attention was paid to his tale. The six were bailed last night.

LIBERALS ACCEPT WINSTON CHURCHILL.

Special Cable Dispatch to The Sun.

LONDON, April 29.—The Liberal Association of the northwest division of Manchester has unanimously adopted Mr. Winston Churchill as its candidate on a free trade platform at the next general election.

TRAIN SPED 109 MILES AN HOUR.

Was Carrying Presidents Ledyard and Newman to Chicago.

DETROIT, April 29.—Official reports were received to-day showing that a speed of 109.4 miles an hour has been made by the Michigan Central train carrying President Ledyard and President Newman to Chicago. The time was made Wednesday between Brownsville and Springfield, Ontario, 547 miles, according to a verified statement of the train despatcher.

A pilot went ahead of the train and all crossings were guarded, but the switches were not spiked, nor was the regular running of trains interrupted.

MISSOURI INQUIRY ENDED.

Rumor is That Prominent Officers Will Face Grave Charges.

PENSACOLA, Fla., April 29.—The board which was appointed to inquire into the accident on the battleship Missouri has finished its duties. The conclusion of the investigation cannot be learned till the report is made public in Washington. The indications are that a court-martial will be ordered and some very prominent naval officers will face some grave charges. This, at least, is the talk among the fleet. None of the board will make any reference to the finding.

CHIEF HOWE RUNS A MAN DOWN.

Fireman's Buggy Hits Dr. Doane, Breaking His Hips and Injuring Him Internally.

Battalion Chief Howe, while driving to a smut fire at 515 West Twenty-seventh street, last night, ran down Dr. Luigi G. Doane of 352 West Twenty-eighth street. Dr. Doane was standing in Twenty-seventh street near Eighth avenue, when Truck 12 came along. Battalion Chief Howe was close behind the truck. His carriage swung wide, and one of the shafts struck Dr. Doane, knocking him down. Several of his ribs were broken, and he was internally injured. He was attended by Dr. Erskine at the New York Hospital and taken home in an ambulance.

GEORGE M'KAY KILLS HIMSELF.

Mysterious Suicide of a New Yorker in Chicago Last Night.

CHICAGO, April 29.—George McKay of New York committed suicide some time during to-day at the Auditorium Hotel by shooting himself. His body was found late to-night.

Mr. McKay, who is said to be a capitalist and financier, came to Chicago to arrange a deal with his Western representative, a Mr. Hoyt, and had agreed to meet the latter at noon to-day. When he failed to make his appearance at the office, Mr. Hoyt began to get uneasy and began a search for Mr. McKay.

This ended at about 11 o'clock to-night when his body was found sitting in a chair in his room with a revolver lying on the floor alongside. McKay had shot himself in the mouth. Death had evidently been instantaneous.

NICARAGUA FORCED TO YIELD.

Releases Crews of Turtle Schooners When British Gunboat Arrives.

MOBILE, Ala., April 29.—Parties arriving here by steamer from Bluefields, Nicaragua, report that a British gunboat arrived off the Mosquito Coast and that the commander went ashore and demanded the release of the crews of six turtle schooners that were seized by the Nicaraguan Government several weeks ago. The men were released. When these people left Nicaragua affairs were peaceful and as calm as if there had never been a clash with Great Britain.

IS MINUS A MAINMAST.

The Roanoke's 8,000 Mile Sail With Only a Part of Her Canvas.

The big full rigged ship Roanoke, eight months out from Chinese ports, came up the Narrows yesterday with a bare stump where her mainmast ought to stand. She lost the stick in a hurricane off Madagascar last winter and sailed the remaining 8,000 miles of her voyage under her fore, mizzen and jigger masts.

In the China Sea she picked up two Malays and a Chinaman who had been for twelve days in an open